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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the Office Communication (Paper No. 5) dated June 2, 2000, which contained a Restriction Requirement pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §§ 121 and 371, and a Notice to Comply with Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.821 through 1.825.